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Coffee County raises more than \$200,000 for annual Relay for Life

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County conducted its annual Relay for Life event last Friday, May 14, on the campus of Enterprise-Ozark Community College (EOCC), and once again, the county's citizens showed their commitment to this cause.

After all the contributions were tabulated, Coffee County raised \$212,000 to be donated to the American Cancer Society for cancer research. Although this was a little below the goal of \$218,000, it was approximately the same amount of money raised last year but with less teams.

Corporate sponsorship reached an all-time high this year with \$44,000 being donated to assist in finding a cure.

Relay officials said the people of the county should be commended because they are the ones who make it successful each and every year.

The event began early Friday morning with a cancer survivor's breakfast, and activities continued throughout the day.

The actual Relay began Friday evening with more than 200 cancer survivors making the first lap around the EOCC track. Following the cancer survivors, the participating teams each made a lap around the track together. The remainder of the evening found team members taking turns making laps around the track.

The emotional luminary ceremony at 9 p.m. remained a special moment for those in attendance as candles were lit honoring those currently fighting cancer and those who have overcome the disease, as well as, in memory of those who lost their battle to the illness.

Lighting of the luminaries was followed by a silent lap around the track.

The 2004 Coffee County Relay for Life ended at 2 a.m. Saturday morning. Scenes from the event can be found inside this edition of the paper.

Hurricane Preparedness Week in Alabama

Governor Bob Riley has proclaimed May 16-22, 2004 as Hurricane Preparedness Week in Alabama. Hurricane season officially runs from June 1 through the end of November each year.

Visit the Coffee County Emergency Management Agency website at www.cceema.com for information on all aspects of preparedness.

Rabies Vaccination Clinic set for June 12

School from 1:30-3:00 p.m. and at S & B Petro Station (intersection of HWY 134 and HWY 87) from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Alabama State Law requires all cats and dogs over three months of age to have an annual Rabies vaccination.

There will be an \$8 fee for the vaccination.

Elba Adult DayCare offers variety of services

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Adult DayCare center offers a variety of services for those individuals who need to be with someone at all times, and anyone interested in seeking the services is encouraged to contact the daycare officials.

Mary Glass, manager of the Elba facility, said adult daycare centers offer a warm, caring atmosphere for those individuals in need of the service. She said the center serves all kinds of individuals with varying needs from the elderly to young people with disabilities.

"Coming to the center is a nice way for our clients to get out of the house," Glass said. "It also offers the families a break."

She said the Elba facility has a wonderful staff that is trained to give the same loving care and attention the clients receive from their own families.

On an average, Glass said the Elba facility serves from 20-25 people a day, and it is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m.

All types of activities are offered for the clients to participate in on a daily basis. Some of these activities include: arts and crafts, quilting, sewing, exercise programs, rest time, television, games (inside and outside), flower potting in season, etc.

Educational programs include: current events, history, government and nutrition and health.

Glass said she is currently planning a dinner trip for the center participants.

Participants of the Elba Adult DayCare facility are offered a wide variety of activities each day, and they find opportunities to meet new people and make new friends. Pictured from left are: Joe Stoudemire Jr., Chris Nolin, Stanley Haggan and Nola Ruth Harris.

and she always tries to plan special events for holidays.

The center provides snacks, breakfast and lunch for the clients, and Glass said a nurse comes in once a month for physicals. Transportation and ancillary services are also available upon request.

The basic rate per day to attend the center is \$25, and Glass said some client's fees can be handled through the Department of Human Resources or the Medicare

Waiver Program.

"We're hoping to grow by leaps and bounds," Glass said. "Many people don't realize how many services we offer. This is a good program, and we are here to assist any person or family in need of that assistance."

Anyone interested in learning more about the Elba Adult DayCare Center should contact Mary Glass at 897-3151. The center is located at 128 Court Street, Elba.



Pictured from left: Ethel Kyles, Peaches Jackson and Doris Jean Harrison.

Alabama watercraft users reminded to use common boating safety urged as Memorial Day approaches

During the Memorial Day weekend, an increased number of boaters are expected to take to the water. With this increase in traffic, the possibility of accidents also increases. Sadly, there have already been nine boating-related fatalities on Alabama's waterways this year.

Lt. Erica Shipman of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Marine Police says that even with the increase in boater traffic, mishaps can be avoided if some simple rules are followed.

1. No one under the age of 12 may operate any kind of motorized vessel. Anyone 12 or older, who operates a boat, must have an operator's license. 12-14 year olds may only operate with someone 21 years old or older, in the boat, within reach of the steering mechanism. Anyone 14 years old or older may operate alone, providing he or she has a valid operator's license.

2. Know your boat's load.

Don't overload beyond the safe loading capacity indicated on the capacity plate. Always carry the required safety equipment and know how to use it.

3. Keep personal flotation devices accessible. Wearable PFDs (Type I, II, III or V) are required for all boats. Type IV seat cushions are required on all boats 16 feet or longer, in addition to the wearable types noted above. All PFDs must be U.S. Coast Guard approved, sized to fit, and readily available at all times. Personal watercraft operators and passengers, persons being towed, and people operating a vessel within 800 feet below a dam are required to wear PFDs. Children under age eight must wear a PFD at all times when aboard a vessel.

4. Know the rules of the road. Boat operators are required to maintain a proper lookout at all times to prevent accidents.

5. Don't overdo boating fun. A condition known as boater's

fatigue (caused by motion, noise, sun, wind and glare), can, in just three hours of normal boating activity, double reaction time and affect judgment and balance.

6. Leave the alcohol on shore. A drink or two may make your day more enjoyable and relaxing, but it can also slow reaction time, reduce coordination, vision, and balance. If you factor in boater's fatigue, the combination could be deadly. Alcohol is associated with over 60 percent of boating accidents and 50 percent of boating fatalities.

"It is imperative that boaters practice safety," said Shipman. "The Alabama Marine Police will be out in full force to make sure boaters are following the rules and keeping the waterways safe."

For more information on boating safety, contact the Alabama Marine Police at (334) 242-3673 or visit www.outdooralabama.com.

REMINDER

The Democratic and Republican Primary Elections will be Tuesday, June 1. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Area Happenings

THE COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION will conduct its regular bimonthly meeting Monday, May 24, at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

THE COFFEE COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE will meet at Tuesday, May 25, at 6 p.m. in the Coffee County Commission Community Room. This meeting is required by Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986). All interested parties are invited to attend. For additional information, please contact the Coffee County Emergency Management Agency at (334) 894-5415.

THE TOWN OF NEW BROCKTON OFFICES will be closed Monday, May 31, in observance of Memorial Day. Any emergencies should be directed to the New Brockton Police Department.

THE ELBA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS will hold a public hearing Thursday, June 3, at 10 a.m., to discuss the Internet policy for the Library.

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Local business receives national attention

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NOTICE

The voting machines to be used in the June 1, 2004 Coffee County Primary Election will be tested on Tuesday, May 25, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

The tests will be conducted in the Farm Center Classroom building at the Coffee County Complex, Hwy. 84 W., New Brockton.

The general public is invited to attend. This testing is pursuant to Title 127-24-9, Code of Alabama, 1975 as amended.

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

True to form, Alabama lawmakers passed a General Fund budget Monday night in the waning hours of the 2004 regular session and packed their bags for home. It took some last minute compromising between Representatives and Senators/leadership and rank and file, but in the end the mission was accomplished. Already citizens are wondering aloud about a special session to deal with Governor Riley's accountability proposed bills and/or a number of other things which didn't get passed in the regular session. Our opinion is that even if there is a special session this year the governor will wait a while.

Letting the lawmakers cool off from what many classify as a very taxing legislative session.

One comment that came out Monday night was from Senator Lowell Barron. He said (with a straight face) that there was absolutely no pork in this latest General Fund budget. Such a budget would be unusual to say the least. There was some "special needs funds" that surfaced in the Education Trust Fund budget this year. Of course pork is defined as those special tax funds which go to those other folks. Occasionally you and I have unique needs that are funded by the taxpayers and it is not considered pork. Just simply good government at work! The latter is probably exactly how Senator Roger Bedford justifies all the goodies (football fields, buying land from friends, etc.) he delivers to the folks back home. While it upsets many of us to read of his doings, one has to give him credit for taking care of the home folks.

The Primary elections are just around the corner. June 13 to be exact. Less than two weeks away. There have been sample ballots available in our office for a couple of weeks but the demand for them is less than overwhelming. A quick look at the two ballots (blue for Republicans and white for Democrats) and it is real easy to predict a very tight turn out of voters. A county commission race is on each ballot but is generating only limited interest, even in the districts impacted. The District Judge race is countywide and the only one creating much talk and even then it is hard to pick the leader in either party. Just not enough people talking about their #1 choice. It isn't the candidates fault as these folks continue to work at getting votes. The statewide judge's races have been quite as a church mouse since candidates sent out their original press releases. Add in that there is only one constitutional amendment and it deals only with court fees in a district far North of here, with many of us who go to the polls ignoring it completely and you have the recipe for a light voter turnout.



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tomor offering them the value of true convenience. In short, Mobile Attic provides its customers a luxury long gone in today's society: curb service.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, May 10, 2004, investigated the following incidents: two for harassing communications, one for domestic violence, four for theft of property, two for reckless endangerment, one for possession of marijuana, one for possession of drug paraphernalia, one for minor consumption, one for burglary, two for harassment, one for criminal trespassing, one for a private property accident, one for indecent exposure, one collision with an unoccupied vehicle, two for driving under the influence, one criminal eavesdropping and one found property.

The following arrests were made: one for contempt, one for possession of marijuana, one for possession of drug paraphernalia, two for minor consumption, two for domestic violence, one for assault, one for unauthorized use of a vehicle, two for driving under the influence, one for indecent exposure and one for theft of property.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: three for not wearing a seat belt, two for no insurance, one for reckless endangerment, one for no proof of insurance, three for speeding, one for driving without first obtaining a driver's license and one for driving with a suspended driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, MAY 10 - Routine activity

TUESDAY, MAY 11 - River stage - 6:20 feet (6:22 a.m.); Two-vehicle wreck reported in front of 1625 Parker St. (10:40 a.m.); Wreck reported at 1570

Cash said Mobile Attic offers its customers two storage options: storage that can remain at the customer's location or mobile storage that can be

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stored at the Mobile Attic storage facility.

"There's no need to rent a moving truck or run all over town picking up packing supplies," said Cash. "Mobile Attic delivers the storage container and packing supplies right to the customer's front door."

Cash also said the Mobile Attic concept not only meets the personal storage needs of the consumer, but it is perfect for the business owner looking for a new business venture. For prospective franchisees, Mobile Attic is designed to complement existing businesses by increasing current market share with the addition of portable self-storage.

VOTER

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Obituaries

WILLIE C. CROCKER

Mr. Willie C. Crocker, age 91, of Elba, Ala., died May 11, 2004 at Elba Nursing Home in Elba.

Funeral services were held May 13, 2004 at Elba Church of Christ with Min. Tim Ginnell and Rev. Marcus Ramer officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Crocker was preceded in death by his first wife, Edell Bryan Crocker.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian Crocker, Elba, four daughters: Lelene C. Tucker, Janice McCall, Fay Goodson and June Grimes, all of Elba; two sons: Ralph Crocker and Willie Ray Crocker, both of Elba; four sisters: Lois Hepper, Phyllis City, Ala., Grace Culver, Elba, Nell Zine, Duncan, Okla.; Mary Turpin, Fayetteville, Ga.; one stepdaughter Margaret Wyatt, Elba; one stepson Tony Bradshaw, Columbus, Ga.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

CECILIA OPAL YOUNGBLOOD

Mrs. Cecilia Opal Youngblood, age 44, of Panama City Beach, Fla., died May 15, 2004 at a health care center.

A memorial service was held May 18, 2004, at the First Assembly of God Church, Panama City Beach, with Rev. Paul Ensminger officiating. In lieu of flowers, those who desire to do so may make a contribution in Cecilia's name to the First Assembly of God, Panama City Beach, building fund, 17829 West HWY 98, Panama City Beach, Fla. The services were conducted by Kent-Forrest Lawn Funeral Home, Panama City.

She was preceded in death by her father, Willie Coston Kelley, and brother, Willie Ray Kelley, both of Elba, Ala.

Survivors include her mother, Opal Kelley; Panama City

Beach; her husband, Steve Darrell Youngblood, Panama City Beach; three daughters: Jessica Renea Horton, Tallahassee, Fla.; Jennifer Lynn Horton, Panama City Beach; Allison Youngblood, West Bay, Fla.; two brothers: Bill Kelley, Abbeville, Ala.; Jeff (Taffy) Kelley, Panama City Beach; and three granddaughters.

RUBY BOWDOIN WEATHERFORD

Mrs. Ruby Bowdoin Weatherford, age 85, of Enterprise, Ala., died May 16, 2004 at Medical Center Enterprise.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 19, 2004, at Park Avenue Baptist Church with Rev. Ralph Jones and Rev. Larry Doster officiating. Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery with Seary Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include two daughters: Jimmie (Jini) Rhoades, Kinston, Ala.; Betty (Dovie) Bass, Enterprise; one son: Dennis Weatherford, Montgomery, Ala.; two sisters: Dixie (John) Day, Daisy (Roland) Day, both of Samson, Ala.; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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Alabama Eye Bank rated one of nation's best

By Doyce V. Williams, Executive Director

Medical prominence in Alabama is a way of life. We've grown from relative obscurity in the last 50 years to national and international recognition. Most everyone is familiar with our renowned success in the areas of cancer research, heart surgery and arthritis treatment, but did you know that for many years we've ranked near the top in corneal transplants?

A corneal transplant, although the most frequently performed and successful human transplant procedure, doesn't usually come to mind when one thinks of surgeries, but for those blinded through corneal disease or injury, its importance cannot be overstated.

For some 35 years, the Alabama Eye Bank has provided tissue for more than 20,000 corneal transplant patients. And for the past several years, we've found ourselves among the top 10 in the United States and as high as third in the world in eye tissue procurement. That's quite impressive when you consider that our colleagues, such as the Eye Bank of Texas, based in Houston, serves a population

base that dwarfs that of our own state of Alabama.

But let's I paint a picture of corneal abundance in which everyone's need is met. I hasten to add that we always need help. That's where the greater Birmingham community comes in. I want to encourage this community to put the Alabama Eye Bank high on your list of non-profit organizations that can benefit from your support. We are, as you can imagine, are in the most difficult role of asking for donations before they are needed. That simply means the demand must be determined — and donors found and screened — prior to corneal transplant surgeries. In most cases, this can be accomplished only through personal requests by the Eye Bank, something that could be greatly enhanced by corporate involvement through employee participation.

Let me say without equivocation that the Birmingham community deserves a large pat on the back for any success achieved by the Alabama Eye Bank. Were it not for the untiring work of committed individuals in our city and state, our national and international rankings could not have been maintained. Our small staff is no way capable of carrying the load placed upon it by those

needing help. It is only through a network of caring physicians, nurses, technicians, funeral directors, hospital administrators, airline personnel and others, who volunteer hundreds of hours of their time each year, that we are able to provide the gift of sight.

March is "Eye Donor Month" in Alabama. In keeping with this observance, may I encourage you to consider helping us meet future needs by actively participating with and promoting the Alabama Eye Bank? I invite you to find out more about how you can do just that by visiting our website at www.alabamayeabank.org.

Again, thank you for promoting with the mission of helping Alabamians waiting in the dark with the gift of incomparable sight-restoration.



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CHURCH & AREA NEWS



Pictured left to right: Doris Matthews, Elba Rotary Club President; Tonitta Sauls, LBWCC - MacArthur Campus; Skills USA Advisor and Chair of the Business, Computer Science, and Personal Services Division; and Josh Wilson, Elba Rotary Club Program Chairman.

Tonitta Sauls from LBW speaks to Elba Rotary Club

Tonitta Sauls, with LBW Community College, was the guest speaker for the Elba Rotary Club Meeting on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at the First Baptist Church. Ms. Sauls spoke to the group about the Skills USA organization at LBWCC.

Skills USA is a national organization serving more than 264,000 high school and college students and professional members enrolled in training programs in technical, skilled, and service occupations, including health occupations. Skills USA

prepares America's high performance workers. It provides quality education experiences for students in leadership, team work, citizenship and character development. It builds and reinforces self-confidence, work attitudes and communication skills. It emphasizes total quality at work, high ethical standards, superior work skills, life-long education and pride in dignity of work. Skills USA also promotes understanding of the free enterprise system and involvement in community service activities.

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***THINKING OF YOU, PRAYING FOR YOU:

Willie Muriel Edwards, Larry Edward, Glarene Jones, Ruth Belcher, The Bass, Pouncey, and Sanders families, Rev. Charles Lane, Mary E. Holley, Rev. Henry Ewing, Jr., William Cooper, Tammy Tills.

***MAY BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Tammy Horstead-May 16, Dorey & Nina Caldwell-May 18, Willie Tills, Jr., May 18, Helen Thigpen-May 18, Barbara Henderson-May 20,

Brenda Whitfield-May 21, Patricia & Charlie T. Jordan-May 21, (W.A.), Pamela Edwards-May 21.

***134TH ANNIVERSARY OF SHADY GROVE A.M.E. CHURCH - Elba, Alabama - Rev. Fred Flowers, pastor, Sunday, May 23, 2004, 3:00 P.M. Guest Minister will be Rev. S.R. Perkins from Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church, Skipperville, Alabama.

***VISITORS Mrs. Bessie Lee Coon and Mrs. Doris Waters, Elba visited Eria Lindsey Belcher recently. Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Youth Rally planned at Faithview Holiness Church

Faithview Holiness Church located on Dauphin Street Extension, Enterprise, AL will be holding a youth rally for Alabama, Florida, and Mississippi on Saturday, May 22, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. Join Faithview for a "wonderful Spirit Filled Evening" where youth throughout the Tri-State will lead in worship and praise. Youth groups for every Church

and denomination are encouraged to participate by providing word, drama, or song. Greg Adkins will culminate the celebration with a message prior to the close of the evening. Contact for further information: Donna Fiore (334) 347-4661 (evenings) or (334) 393-6837 from 8:00-5:00 p.m. (Weekdays).

NEWS AMONG OUR SERVICE FOLKS

BRANDON S. WILSON

Brandon S. Wilson has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education. Wilson will report to Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C., for basic training on August 11, 2004.

He is the son of Sharon M. Wilson of Riverview Drive, Elba, Ala.

MICHAEL OGLESBY

Army Sgt. Michael Oglesby competed in the 2004 Southeast

Regional Medical Command's noncommissioned officer of the year competition. The sergeant, a production and service supervisor with seven years of military service, is assigned to the Aeromedical Center, Fort Rucker, Daleville, Ala.

He is the son of Eddie Oglesby of County Road 148, New Brockton, Ala.

Oglesby is a 1988 graduate of New Brockton.



Karen Hoover

Karen Hoover to compete in Fowler All-Night Sing competition

Karen Hoover of Enterprise, AL has entered the Fowler All-Night Sing competition. It will be held on November 6th, 2004. To vote for her, go November 6th, go online at WJCL-AC. For more information call her at (334) 393-1894 or respond to at 1591 Eastpark Avenue Apt. #107 Enterprise, AL 36830.

LIFESTYLES

Beulah School Reunion to be held June 5th

The 7th annual Beulah School Reunion will be held at the Beulah Baptist Church (last original Beulah School location) in Opp, Alabama, Saturday, June 5, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. until. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish. Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon. Drinks, cups and silverware will be provided.

For more information call Faye (Powell) Nelson (770) 886-5052 - fax (770) 886-5059. Katie Wilks (334) 493-4937, Linda Powell Holloway (334) 493-6818, Marc (Skipper) Pland (334) 493-6616, Margie Elmore Blue (334) 493-7030.

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Miss Price and Mr. McNeil

Price-McNeil to wed Friday, May 28

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Price of Elba, AL announce the engagement of their daughter, Bobbie Suzanne Price, to Duran Wayne McNeil of South Port, FL.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Whittington of Elba, AL and Mrs. Gaynel Price and the late Leon Price of Elba. The future groom is the son of

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McNeil of South Port, FL. The groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver McNeil, Mrs. Darlene Jacobs and the late Mrs. Charles P. Bushnell.

The wedding will be May 28, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the Elba Deliverance Tabernacle Church on Taylor Mill Rd. All relatives and friends are invited to attend.

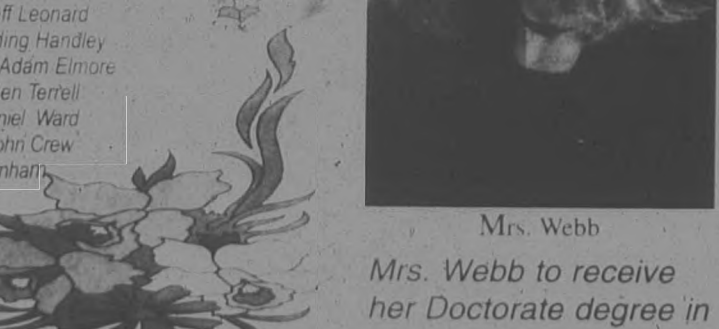
Anyone related to any Parker by blood or marriage which is connected to the Basin Community is encouraged to attend in the likelihood of being related to the family.

It is requested that members bring family history information and old pictures to be added to family genealogy and for exchange of information. A copy machine will be available.

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Mrs. Webb

Mrs. Webb to receive her Doctorate degree in Finance & Accounting

Mrs. Teresa Jeanne Smith Webb, (T.J.), daughter of Evan and Carol Smith, (Opp) and wife of Kent Webb of Monticello, Arkansas and mother of Daniel and Hayley Kate, has completed her doctorate program at Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA, and will receive her Doctorate Diploma in Finance and Accounting at the graduation ceremony to be held on May 22, 2004. Dr. Webb is a 1979 honor graduate of Elba High School. She also has an Associate Degree from Enterprise State Jr. College and a Bachelors and Masters Degree from Troy State University, Troy, AL all with honors.

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Gibbs-Davis wedding to be held June 19

Shannon P. Gibbs and John C. Davis, Jr. announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage on June 19, 2004.

Shannon is the daughter of Martha Ann Parker and the late Robert Wesley Parker of Elba, AL. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Spivey and the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parker.

John is the son of Martha Padgett Davis and the late John C. Davis. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grady Padgett and the late Mr. and Mrs. Dalton M. Davis.

The wedding will be a private garden ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith.

All family and friends are invited to the reception at the Olde South Inn, 717 Davis Street, at three o'clock on June 19, 2004.

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Daniel Windsor Ward

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Mr. and Mrs. W. Jerome Ward

on

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Two thousand and four

at seven o'clock in the evening

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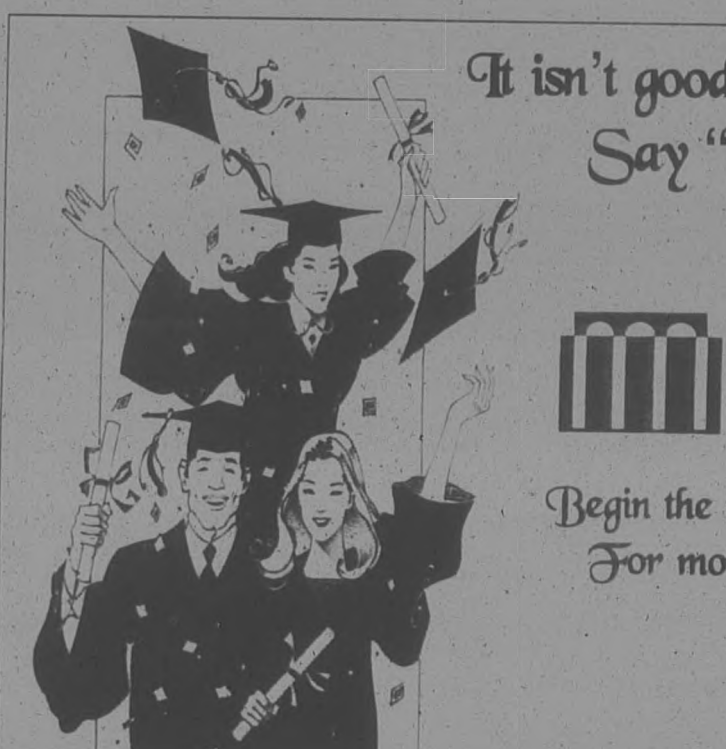
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SPORTS

Views from....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

School gets out this week in Elba and for the first time both of the Mularz girls will have summer jobs. Melanie will be new to the job market and has already made plans to buy lots of clothes with her weekly paychecks, while Melissa has been working for several summers and has said she is going to save money to help with her college expenses next fall. Both plans sound good to me, but somehow I just can't believe that I will be able to go the whole summer, or even a week, without having to hand out some money to one or the other. I guess I will just have to wait and see!

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

*** The Elba Tiger golf team enjoyed its annual trip to the State Golf Championships last week and for the second straight year brought home the runner-up trophy in Class 3A. The Tigers were tied for second after the opening round and knew they were going to have to play well on the second day to bring home a trophy, and that was just what they did as the Elba golfers finished 13 strokes ahead of the third place team and continued to add to the Elba High trophy case. Elba sophomore Timothy Jackson made history as he tied for medalist honors at the state tournament, while Jackson made the All-State team for the second straight year and joined Elba senior Colby Capps on the honored squad. Capps was making his fourth straight trip to the state tournament and tied for seventh in the 48 man field to earn All-State honors for the third consecutive season. Elba High has now placed in the top four for four straight years, and with Jackson leading the way the Tigers should have a good chance at extending their successful trips to the state tournament to the straight in 2005. Great job golfers, your success has helped keep Elba on the map in high school athletics.

*** It has been over five months since Elba Tiger head football coach Mike Waters resigned his post, but at last week's monthly school board meeting the subject of hiring a new coach barely even got mentioned. School officials reported early in the hunt for a new coach that nothing could be done until the state adopted an education budget, while in recent weeks the board's delay was due to its upcoming visit to Federal Court in an attempt to settle an age-old lawsuit and a last-second change of heart by a coach that had all but accepted the position. I have heard that Supt. Danny Weeks has narrowed his list down to three prospects and that a decision may come as early as this week. Any kind of announcement would be nice after five months, but I am still being patient and hope that we get the right man of the job. Oh yes, since there are also coaching vacancies at Highland Home, Geneva County, Samson, Wickburg and Eufaula, maybe we are actually in pretty good company.

*** I wrapped up the year in sports at the area high schools last week and turned the ball when writing about the Gamecocks of New Broxton. I wrote that no varsity teams at New Broxton posted a winning record during the school year, which was totally false since the Gamecocks posted a 6-4 record in football, won the county championship and capped off back-to-back winning seasons for the Gamecocks under Coach Shannon Clark. Coach Clark and his players are the only team in the county to have back-to-back winning records over the past two seasons, and are obviously winners on and off the field.

*** The "City Pool" will open this weekend in Elba and for the past two weekends over a dozen potential lifeguards have been had at work getting ready to provide expert care for all the swimmers that plan on paying a visit to the pool this summer. Red Cross instructors from Ft. Rucker have been putting the new batch of guards through their work-outs both in and out of the water, and when the pool opens the city will hopefully have its biggest number of guards ever that are certified in life guarding and CPR. Tell the guards how much we all appreciate their dedication to the position when you visit the pool...then jump in and enjoy the water.

*** In closing, Pelham High School won the Class 6A state baseball championship last week and after winning the title carried a banner onto the field in memory of Brandon Smith, a former stand-out at Pelham that was killed in an automobile accident two years ago. The teen baseball sensation was only a sophomore when his life was so tragically taken. However, his teammates had dedicated the season and the championship series to his memory, and tears of both joy and sadness poured on the field from his former teammates after the final game. Brandon Smith was the son of David Smith, a 1976 graduate of Elba High School, and the display of caring for their missing teammate made it clear just what a special young man he was to everyone who knew him. I know it touched many hearts here in Elba.



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At Elba Country Club

Second round 64 lifts Don Jacobs to championship of annual Johnny Martin Memorial Golf Tournament

The 2004 Johnny Martin Memorial Golf Tournament was held recently at the Elba Country Club and Troy's Don Jacobs fired rounds of 72-64 for a 36-hole total of 136 to claim the tournament championship. Jacobs edged out Elba's Bart Barnes by one stroke, as Barnes followed up an opening round of 71 with a 66 to post a total of 137. Troy's Wendell Stephens placed third in the Championship Flight, with rounds of 70-70 for a 140 total.

Troy's Will Mills fired rounds of 79-72 for a 151 total to win the First Flight, followed by Elba's Ronnie Nicholson 79-73-152 and Brantley's Andrew Kilcrease 80-74-154.

Allen Johnson posted rounds of 83-78 for a 161 total to win the Second Flight, followed by Opp's Ricky Gilchrist 85-77-162 and Troy's John Stroud 83-80-163.

Andalusia's Rodney Garvin

and Elba's Joe Johnson fired 36-hole totals of 171 to tie for the championship in the Third Flight. Garvin had rounds of 88-83, while Johnson had rounds of 89-82 to finish in a first place tie. Finishing in a tie for third were Samson's Scott Kinsaul 90-83-173 and Ken Nolin 87-86-173.

Following are complete tournament results.

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

1. Don Jacobs 72-64-136
2. Bart Barnes 71-66-137
3. Wendell Stephens 70-70-140
4. Clint Norman 68-75-143
5. Joey Holley 70-74-144
6. Ricky Smith 73-75-148
7. Mike Hall 74-74-148
8. Tommy Skinner 77-75-152

FIRST FLIGHT
1. Will Mills 79-72-151
2. Ronnie Nicholson 79-73-152
3. Andrew Kilcrease 80-74-154
4. Stan Marsh 80-75-155
5. Gene Sinkland 78-81-159
6. Benji Kinsaul 80-81-161

Spring Golf Classic set for June 11 at Silver Wings golf course

Advance registrations are being accepted for the June 11 Spring Golf Classic, open to all golfers with established handicaps.

The \$35 per player entry fee includes greens fee, cart, AAAA T-shirt, brown bag lunch, dinner, and traditional beverages. The four-person scramble in three flights is limited to the first 30 teams with paid registration with sign-in beginning at 10 a.m., brief at 11:30 with a shotgun start at noon.

Hole in one prizes include a custom "Bad Boy" chopper by Coleman Motorcycle Company, a stay at Chateau Elan Resort and Spa in Georgia or a Scottish golf vacation, Orlando or Las Vegas vacation, a set of Wilson Red Iron Clubs, and a car.

The popular "red tee" and "accuracy correction string" options will again be available, at additional costs of \$10 and \$20 per team, respectively.

Advance registrations are available at the Silver Wings Pro Shop or at Aviation Training Brigade Headquarters, Bldg. 4509, Room 129.

Anyone interested in hole sponsorship or donating prizes may call Capt. Hebert at 255-0162, or email jennifer.hebert@rucker.army.mil.

The annual event is organized by the 1,800 member Army Aviation Center chapter of the Army Aviation Association of America (AAAA or "Quad-A"). Proceeds from the event fund local chapter contributions to the community throughout the year, including scholarship programs (\$12,000 awarded locally last year), local community service organizations, family well-being, and awards for academic achievement in Aviation School courses.

Youth baseball camp set June 7-10 at Wallace Camp in Dothan

Wallace Community College will host a Summer Baseball Camp for kids ages 6-14 at the Wallace Campus in Dothan June 7-10, from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

The WCC Governors, along with Coaches Mackey Sasser and Pete Coachman, will assist participants in fielding, pitching and batting exercises. Sasser, a former catcher with the New York Mets, and Coachman, a former second-baseman with

the California Angels, will also sign autographs for the general public at 12:00 noon each day. Registration for the camp is \$75.00. For more information, call Mackey Sasser at 334-556-2416.

Enterprise to host two ASA softball tournaments

The Enterprise Parks and Recreation Department will host two softball tournaments the weekend of June 4-5, at the city's new softball complex.

The tournaments will be for "Men's Industrial" and "Co-Ed District" and ASA rosters will be required for both tournaments. The entry fee is \$150 and tournament champions will earn an automatic berth in the state tournament. For more information call Billy Powell 348-2680 or Denise Hoke 348-2681.

Free Fishing Day set for June 12 at state lakes

"Free Fishing Day" for Alabama is scheduled for Saturday, June 12, 2004, during National Fishing Week. Approved by the Alabama Legislature, the law allows an annual free day of fishing when residents and non-residents may fish without a fishing license.

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SPORTS

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Elba Tiger golfers place second at State Golf Championships

The Elba Tiger golf team continued its tradition of top four finishes at the Alabama High School Athletic Association's "State Golf Championship" last week by placing second in the Class 3A division.

The Tigers placed third in 2001, fourth in 2002, second in 2003 and second again this season to become the only 3A team in the state to post four consecutive top four finishes in the annual high school tournament.

Montgomery Academy claimed its second straight state title by posting rounds of 320-317 for a 36-hole total of 637.

Elba sophomore Timothy Jackson fired rounds of 78-76 for a 154 total and tied for

medalist honors at the state tournament, while Jackson made the All-State team for the second straight year and joined Elba senior Colby Capps on the honored squad. Capps was making his fourth straight trip to the state tournament and tied for seventh in the 48 man field to earn All-State honors for the third consecutive season. Elba High has now placed in the top four for four straight years, and with Jackson leading the way the Tigers should have a good chance at extending their successful trips to the state tournament to the straight in 2005. Great job golfers, your success has helped keep Elba on the map in high school athletics.

*** It has been over five months since Elba Tiger head football coach Mike Waters resigned his post, but at last week's monthly school board meeting the subject of hiring a new coach barely even got mentioned. School officials reported early in the hunt for a new coach that nothing could be done until the state adopted an education budget, while in recent weeks the board's delay was due to its upcoming visit to Federal Court in an attempt to settle an age-old lawsuit and a last-second change of heart by a coach that had all but accepted the position. I have heard that Supt. Danny Weeks has narrowed his list down to three prospects and that a decision may come as early as this week. Any kind of announcement would be nice after five months, but I am still being patient and hope that we get the right man of the job. Oh yes, since there are also coaching vacancies at Highland Home, Geneva County, Samson, Wickburg and Eufaula, maybe we are actually in pretty good company.

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followed by Elba with rounds of 341-330 for a total of 671. The Tigers were tied for second after the opening round of play, but improved their team score by eleven strokes in the final round to easily finish second ahead of third place Leeds. Other teams in the eight-man field included Randolph, West Limestone, Springfield, Good Hope and Elkmont.

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The 2004 Elba Tiger golf team included seniors Colby Capps and Ben Dye, juniors Evan Tew and Josh Miller, sophomores Timothy Jackson and Hunter McGuire, freshman Chafin Johnson and seventh grader Jamison Baker.

The Tigers were section runner-ups in 2001 and placed third at the state tournament, were section champs in 2002 and placed fourth at the state tournament, were section runner-ups in 2003 and placed second at the state tournament and this season were again section runner-ups and placed second at the state tournament.

Colby Capps capped off his stellar six-year career with the Tiger golfers at this year's state tournament and left the team as perhaps the top Elba High golfer ever! Capps was the medalist in 16 matches during his career, was named to The Birmingham News Academic All-State team in 2003, was a member of the All-Section team in 2002 and 2003, was the medalist at the Section Tournament in 2003 and earned All-State honors in 2002, 2003 and 2004.

Ben Dye also closed out his five-year career with the Tiger golfers at this year's state tournament, and Dye earned All-State honors in 2001.

Timothy Jackson closed out a sensational sophomore season at

Elba's Jackson shares medalist honors...Elba Tiger golfer Timothy Jackson and Montgomery Academy's Hunter Hamrick tied for medalist honors at last week's state tournament. Pictured above are (l-r) Timothy Jackson, AHSAA Executive Director Dan Washburn and Hunter Hamrick.

Derek Deese won his second straight Street Stock Feature. Charles Cotton took the early lead before Scott Morse took over on lap six. Deese had followed Morse through the field and followed him past Cotton. The pair pulled away from the field to settle things between themselves. Deese stayed glued to Morse's bumper until Morse slipped a bit in turn two on lap 21. Deese seized the opportunity and drove to the inside of Morse. Deese grabbed the position for good when Morse went off of the track as the pair entered turn three. Cotton took over the second spot and held off Morse until the end of the race. Jeff Smith finished fourth with Sam Smith fifth.

The Roadrunner Feature came down to a three-way battle for the win. Danny Monaghan took the early lead and built a big lead while Jason Singletary and Jerry Hudson made their way through the field. Singletary moved into second on lap seven and began to reel Monaghan in. Hudson joined the fray on lap 16. With laps running down, Singletary pulled even with Monaghan, actually leading lap 18. Hudson was tucked in just behind the front pair, waiting to make his move. That move never came as Monaghan was able to beat both Singletary and Hudson with the checkered flag. John Singletary came across fourth with Bobby Monaghan fifth.

Action continues next week at South Alabama Speedway with heats and features for Super Stock, Modified, Street Stock, and Roadrunner classes. For more information, contact the track at (334) 565-3539.

Elba Tiger senior Colby Capps...earned All-State honors for the third straight year at last week's state high school golf tournament after posting a two-day total of 162.

The Stingers opened the weeks action in Opp against the Opp Dodgers and rallied from an early deficit to claim a 10-3 win. The Stingers trailed 1-0 after two innings, but combined four walks with an RBI single by Haley Stinson in the top of the third to grab a 3-1 advantage. Opp pulled even at 3-3 in the bottom of the frame, but plated four runs in the fourth to regain the lead at 7-3 and added three runs in the sixth to claim the 10-3 win. Amber Jacobs had a key bases-loaded single in the fourth to spark the Stingers rally, while Chessie Cross ripped a double in the sixth. Chessie Cross had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead the Stingers, while Shamba Jones added 1 hit and scored 2 runs and Amber Jacobs added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Haley Stinson had 1 hit and Ashley Carpenter and Janie Hall both scored 2 runs. Heather Reeves pitched

EOCC names annual honor students in recent campus ceremonies



Honor students from the Coffee County area were recognized recently during Enterprise Ozark Community College's Thirty-first Annual Honors Day Assembly. These students have completed 36 or more hours at EOCC while maintaining a grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher and have been enrolled as a full-time student at least one term during the current academic year. From left to right are Deborah S. Reynolds of Coffee Springs, Elizabeth D. Luther of Jack, Cara G. McCrummen of Chancellor, Patrick S. Nelson of Kingston (holds a 4.0 GPA), and Ashley S. Hunko of Kingston. Not pictured are Edie L. Grantham, Katherine A. Grantham, and Helen K. Lawford of Elba. Monica M. Muhammad of New Brockton, Matthew O. Richards of Jack, Melissa E. Taylor of Elba, and John J. Windham of New Brockton.



During Enterprise Ozark Community College's Thirty-first Annual Honors Day Assembly, students nominated for Who's Who Among Students in American Junior College were recognized. A College committee annually chooses those students who have distinguished themselves in different areas of campus life. Minimum requirements are a grade point average of at least 3.5 and involvement in student activities. The names of students selected by the faculty committee will appear in the Who's Who organization's national publication. On the front row from left to right are Cara G. McCrummen of Chancellor, Karen C. Blakey Pirkle of Enterprise, Amanda Peak of Chancellor, Tonya L. Nolen of Enterprise, Jenny E. Hendrix of Hartford, and Ashley S. Hunko of Kingston. On the back row from left to right are Nicholas R. Alley of Shocomb, Aaron C. Wade of Daleville, Eric D. Long of Ozark, Patrick S. Nelson of Kingston, and George J. Rogers of Enterprise. Not pictured are Eric S. Davis of Samson and Lindsay L. Hall of Enterprise.

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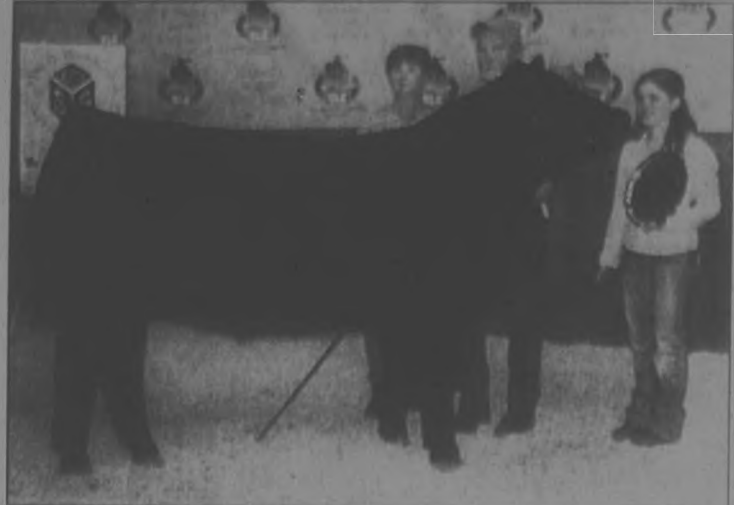
Kerrigan completes Army school at Aberdeen base

Army National Guard Pvt. Tanner J. Kerrigan has graduated from advanced individual training as a fire control systems repairer at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, MD.

The course is designed to train soldiers to troubleshoot and perform direct and general support maintenance and repairs on combat vehicles, infantry and artillery fire control systems. Kerrigan is the son of Ken J. Kerrigan of Pinecrest Loop, Enterprise, Ala., and Teresa Y. Wipfl of Winslow, Ariz.

He is a 2003 graduate of New Brockton High School, AL.

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RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER...Michelle Jones, a 4-Her from Enterprise, is shown with her Reserve Champion Steer from the recent Montgomery Beef Expo. Shown with Michelle are her parents Glenn and Nancy Jones.

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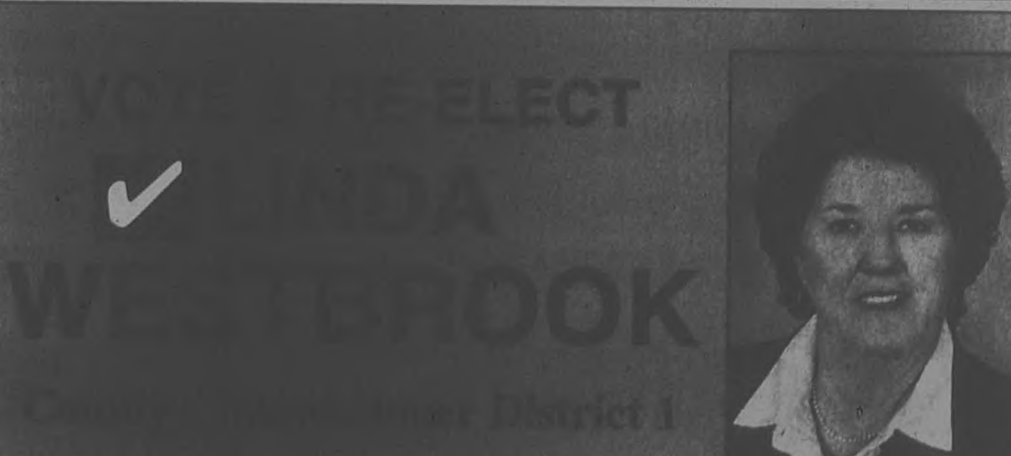
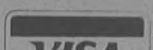
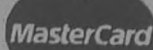
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I am asking for your support in the JUNE 1st primary election as your COMMISSIONER for DISTRICT 1. In the past 8 years the following projects have been done in district 1. I am proud and appreciate the opportunity to have been a part of the team work it has taken to accomplish these things. The team consist of elected officials, governmental agencies, county employees, and the citizens of Coffee County. I pledge to you that I will continue to work to make Coffee County District 1 a better place to live if re-elected.

PINE LEVEL SENIOR CENTER
ZION CHAPEL SENIOR CENTER
ZION CHAPEL SCHOOL RECREATIONAL BALL PARK
COFFEE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
FLOOD MITIGATION PROJECT (13 families moved out of flood area in rural coffee county...12 of these families were in district one.)
Three (3) new bridges
64.7 miles of resurfaced roads
3.9 miles of paved roads
Litter Pickup program on rural roads (Elba Workrelease Forces)
Water Line extended to Girl Scout Camp (Grant)
Voting location in New Brockton for District 1 voters
Air Conditioning in all voting houses.
Bathrooms in voting houses where needed.
Other special projects:
Jim Folsom Home moved to Elba (Historical Site)
Member of EMS of Coffee County (Rescue Squad for Northern Coffee County)
Supporting Economic Development Board of City of Elba
Member of Economic Development Board of Enterprise, Coffee, Geneva and Dale
Grant for resurfacing County Road 400-Joint project with City of Elba

As COMMISSIONER OF DISTRICT 1 the following are projects to be a part of the future:
The completion of Phase 11 of Coffee County Water Authority
New building for Zion Chapel Senior Citizen Building
Walking trail in District 1
Resurfacing and paving of roads scheduled for 2004 and 2005.
To serve citizens in district 1 with road maintenance & repair as needed.
To support Economic growth in Coffee County.
TO SERVE THE PEOPLE...RE-ELECT LINDA WESTBROCK COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1

Thank You For Your Support,

Linda Westbrock

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PARKER/WILLIS FAMILY IN COFFEE COUNTY SOME 25 YEARS AFTER CIVIL WAR - Seated in front, left to right: Jim and Fleeta Parker with Talbert and Nig on lap and Aunt Jude and Aunt Liz with sis Parker on lap, and Bibb. Back row: Perce, Bibb, Clyde Baldwin, Sophronie BarronWillis, and James Joel Willis.

Native son writes about family members in memory book published by college

Written by 85 year old Bob Willis of Tucson, Arizona, a descendant of Aunt Jude's family. Written and published as part of a collection of stories by a group of young citizens. The book, "Active Steps & Straps of Life" was published with the assistance of the Tuscan Learning Society of the University of West Florida and copyrighted in 2004 with the original authors retaining individual copyrights.

AUNT JUDE

Susan Barron was a small child during the early days of the Civil War when her father left their Pike County Rebel Forces. Her sister, Elizabeth, was a few years older; and the youngest, Sophronie, was still a baby. There were two older brothers, Judd and Mark, who also entered the war when they became of age to do so.

Susan and Elizabeth were old enough to mourn for Judd who never returned from war. He was listed as "missing in action" and never found. They all certainly never forgot the sight of Mark riding home on a mule, wounded, and dying within a few days of his return. All three of the sisters must have been keenly aware of the trauma thrust upon their mother when their father returned with a head wound that rendered him as helpless as a child.

One account of the father's problems surfaced in an incident when he cut down unripened sugar cane and had it made into syrup. Another incident showed him robbing all of the hen's nest of eggs, including eggs of the nests of setting hens. He placed the eggs in the washpot by the spring, boiled them, and then kicked the pot over to gather the eggs again. His death a few weeks later was a blessing to himself and the entire Barron family. Still, his death left the mother alone with three small daughters to raise. There were many families in similar predicaments as a result of the war.

Fifteen years after the war, Susan witnessed the love affair of her younger sister, Sophronie, with a handsome man from Coffee County, James Joel Willis. She probably envied her sister as she became the bride of Mister Willis. He brought the love of a man into a home that had been without male companionship for so many years.

James Joel, the second son of William and Lucinda Willis, spent several years farming as he and Sophronie began a family of six children. Later, they moved near Elba, Alabama, where James became a carpenter at the construction of a dam on Pea

River. Susan and Elizabeth sold the Barron family farm and moved with Sophronie's family to set up a boarding house for the construction workers at the dam. The Willis children - Fleeta, Bibb, Purse, Pitt, Ebb, and Johnnie Clyde grew up in that atmosphere.

With time, my father, Bibb, met and married my mother, Mattie Hawkins, and they settled in the small town Elba nearby, where I was born. Fleeta, the oldest child of James and Sophronie, worked at the boardinghouse with her aunts where she met Jim Parker, a supervisor of convicts working at the dam. Fleeta and Jim married, and came to raise a family of eight children in the Basin Community-nearby. The other Willis kids grew up, married, and scattered over the Southern states. From Florida to Arkansas, Clyde, the youngest daughter, served some time in the Navy before marriage.

Sophronie died in 1919, and it is thought that Elizabeth died a few years earlier. James Joel remarried after a couple of years, and fathered two children, Ernest and Annie Merle who now live in Northwest Florida.

Soon after Sophronie died, Susan sold the boarding house, and moved to Montgomery, Alabama, to become a nanny for two children of an attorney and his wife. She was paid ten dollars a month plus room and board. However, Susan did not know that her employer was an alcoholic and a gambler until he had cheated her out of her life's savings. He committed suicide, leaving Susan in the Alms Home, better known as the "Poor House."

It is not known how long Susan stayed in the home for the poor, but with the aid of a worker there she got a letter to Fleeta in Basin, Alabama. On the day the letter was received, Jim Parker left for Montgomery and returned with Susan Barron to the Parker home where she would consequently spend many happy years. During these years, "Aunt Jude" spent time relaxing in the front porch swing telling her grandchildren the stories I have related to you and many others.

While I knew "Aunt Jude" well, I didn't learn that her real name was "Susan" until much later when I visited and listened to Mary Alice Parker Boudoin repeat the tales she had listened to from the front porch swing as a child.

Other stories Willis wrote in

this publication include poems, stories of a WWII C-47 pilot, growing up as a child of the Great Depression in Coffee County, etc.

STATE OF ALABAMA COFFEE COUNTY

We, the undersigned Appointing Board of Coffee County, do hereby appoint the following named persons to conduct the Primary, Primary Run-Off, and Constitutional Amendment Election to be held on June 1, 2004 and June 29, 2004.

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Chief Clerk Sharon Walke
1st Clerk Shirley White
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Victoria

Inspector Mack King
Chief Clerk Faye Peters
1st Clerk Betty Boutwell
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Chestnut Grove

Inspector Murrell Johnson
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Fresco

Inspector Kenneth M. Sanders

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DISTRICT ONE

Danley's Cross Roads
Inspector Mark Donaldson
Chief Clerk Winfred Baker
1st Clerk Jeanette B. Nelson
2nd Clerk David G. Baker

Lee Community

Inspector Aline Lee
Chief Clerk Bernice Culver
1st Clerk John Glenn Lee
2nd Clerk Mary Alice Lee

Newbia

Inspector Brenda Johnson
Chief Clerk Estin Baker
1st Clerk Cleo Amstrong
2nd Clerk Ginger Vinson

Bluff Springs

Inspector Gilmer Grant
Chief Clerk Teresa Ann Martin
1st Clerk Gelia C. Allen
2nd Clerk Levy G. Kelley

National Guard Armory, Elba

Inspector Bobby Hudson
Chief Clerk Mrs. Ventelle Corbitt
1st Clerk Doris Ausbon
2nd Clerk Ella Jean Vaughan
Registration List Clerk Sylvia Padgett
Registration List Clerk Estella Williams
Registration List Clerk Annie Bullard

Zion Chapel

Inspector C. Ray Hurd
Chief Clerk Martha Sue Lowery
1st Clerk Maggie Brown
2nd Clerk Lela Wilson

Pine Level

Inspector Hughie W. Bryan Jr.
Chief Clerk Louise Bowers
1st Clerk Daphne Huggins
2nd Clerk John Blackmon
Inspector Lanette Boutwell
Chief Clerk Betty S. Boutwell
1st Clerk Bobby Boutwell
2nd Clerk Mathalyne Farris

Wise's Mill

Inspector Richard T. Brown
Chief Clerk Edna English
1st Clerk Nina Allen
2nd Clerk Annie Pearl Carpenter

Wise Mill School Voting House

Inspector Reda Sheffield
Chief Clerk Dallas Dean
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1st Clerk Julie Williams
2nd Clerk Mildred Carter

Eanon

Inspector Mary Colte
Chief Clerk William A. Edga
1st Clerk Elsie Hilton
2nd Clerk Earline Godwin

Heritage Methodist Church

Inspector Sharon Brozoch
Chief Clerk Elizabeth Tew
1st Clerk Rose Ann Lucina
2nd Clerk Bob Evans
Registration List Clerk Gladys Volz
Registration List Clerk Pat Malkoff
Registration List Clerk Joyce Meadows

DISTRICT THREE

Perry's Store

Inspector Mary A. Bess
Chief Clerk Fred Hodge
1st Clerk Pam Grissett
2nd Clerk Louise Farris

Elba Rec Center

Inspector Nadine Fuller
Chief Clerk Lynda Berry
1st Clerk Edward Howard Berry
2nd Clerk Cabert Mills
Registration List Clerk Elaine C. Bullard
Registration List Clerk Judith Tucker
Registration List Clerk John L. Wade
Registration List Clerk Cara D. Horstead
Registration List Clerk Glanssa Michelle Smith
Registration List Clerk Janice McCall

Pleasant Ridge

Inspector Sue Walls
Chief Clerk Billy V. Byrd
1st Clerk Gayle Kelley
2nd Clerk Linda (Mrs Norman E) Johns

Ino

Inspector Betty Sessions
Chief Clerk Wilmer Canley
1st Clerk Essie Dell McInnis
2nd Clerk Nyoka Bowdoin

Holley's Store

Inspector Shirley Chambliss
Chief Clerk Lora Chambliss
1st Clerk Grace Weeks 850
2nd Clerk D. Lois Culver

Damascus

Inspector Judith Hurley
Chief Clerk Cheryl Farris
1st Clerk Ouida Crosby
2nd Clerk Ed Carroll

Kinston

Inspector Steven Hunko
Chief Clerk Sara Nell Bowden
1st Clerk Mary Cook
2nd Clerk Betty Jo Seay

DISTRICT FOUR

Goodman

Inspector Jimmy Watson
Chief Clerk Hilda Allen
1st Clerk Roy Grimes
2nd Clerk Marjorie Herrington

Mt. Pleasant

Inspector Rhonda McCrummen
Chief Clerk Pat Britt
1st Clerk LaMargaret Barley
2nd Clerk Bobbie White

Cool Springs

Inspector Phylliss K. Adkison
Chief Clerk Ruth Pipkins
1st Clerk Calvin Leo
2nd Clerk Lotin Martin

Enterprise Civic Center

Inspector Ray Lewis
Chief Clerk Dixie Johnson
1st Clerk William H. Griffin
2nd Clerk Betty Reynolds

Fairview

Inspector Bob Bowdoin
Chief Clerk Claire A.
1st Clerk Daisy Day
2nd Clerk Shirley Bowdoin

DISTRICT FIVE

National Guard Armory, New Brockton

Inspector Leo Brown
Chief Clerk Robert Fleming Jr.
1st Clerk Edna Blair
2nd Clerk Margaret Peggy Bowdoin

Johns Chapel AME Church

Inspector Calvin Garth
Chief Clerk Dorothy Richardson
1st Clerk Marie Cotter
2nd Clerk Shirley Dykes
Registration List Clerk Veola Grayer

Machine Two

Inspector Bert Barr
Chief Clerk Annie Hooks
1st Clerk Phillip Dot
2nd Clerk Loretta Fleming
Registration List Clerk Theodis Parker

DISTRICT SIX

YMCA Machine One

Inspector Albert Apel
Chief Clerk Mamie Myers
1st Clerk Don Weaver
2nd Clerk Carol Abbott

YMCA Machine Two

Inspector Jimmy Jones
Chief Clerk Pam Morrow
1st Clerk Mary Wallace
2nd Clerk Kathy Patterson
Registration List Clerk Elaine Roberts
Registration List Clerk Thelia Kelly
Registration List Clerk Kitty Ruth Coles
Registration List Clerk Rush Wicker
Registration List Clerk James F. Lewis
Registration List Clerk Jeanie Stencil
Provisional Ballot Officer Mary Joyce Apol

DISTRICT SEVEN

Enterprise Rec Center Machine One

Inspector Ben Block
Chief Clerk Ruby Crumpler
1st Clerk Kay Johnson
2nd Clerk William Carter

Enterprise Rec Center Machine Two

Inspector Zelda Crumpler
Chief Clerk Hazel
1st Clerk Bud Hickman
2nd Clerk Charlie Block
Registration List Clerk Joan Ayer
Registration List Clerk Nancy Presson
Registration List Clerk Nancy Shufeldt
Registration List Clerk Ruth Morrow
Registration List Clerk Michelle Mann
Registration List Clerk Max Walls
Registration List Clerk Mary Alice Logan
Registration List Clerk Charmaine Carter
Provisional Ballot Officer Mary Jon Sneckenburger

ABSENTEE

Inspector Harold Myers
Chief Clerk Coy Dell Ellis
1st Clerk Gerald Tucker
2nd Clerk Arthur C. "Buddy" Brunson
Done this 12th day of May, 2004.

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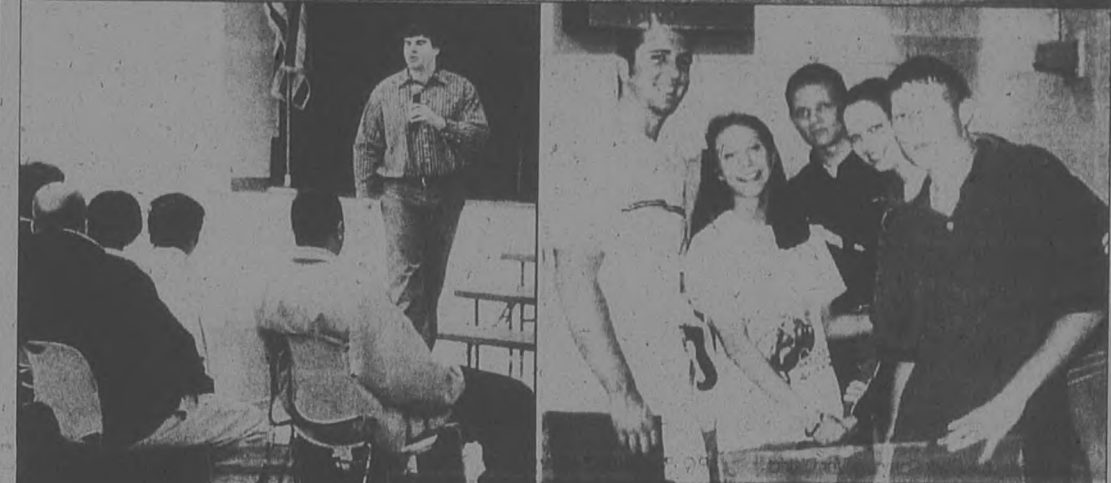
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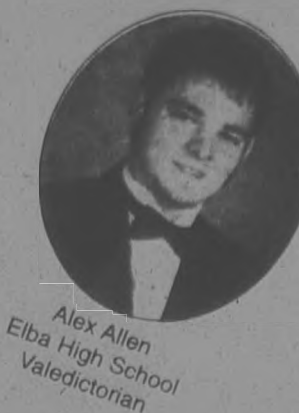
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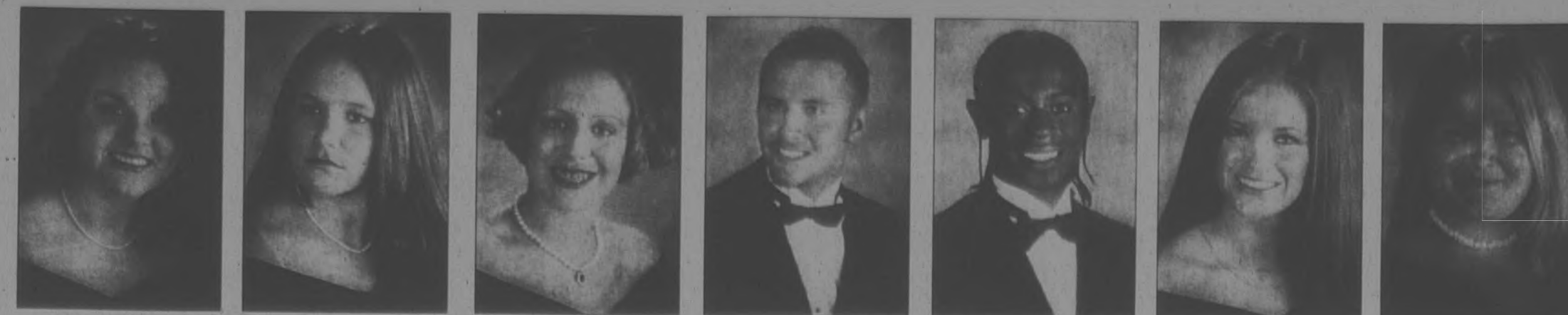
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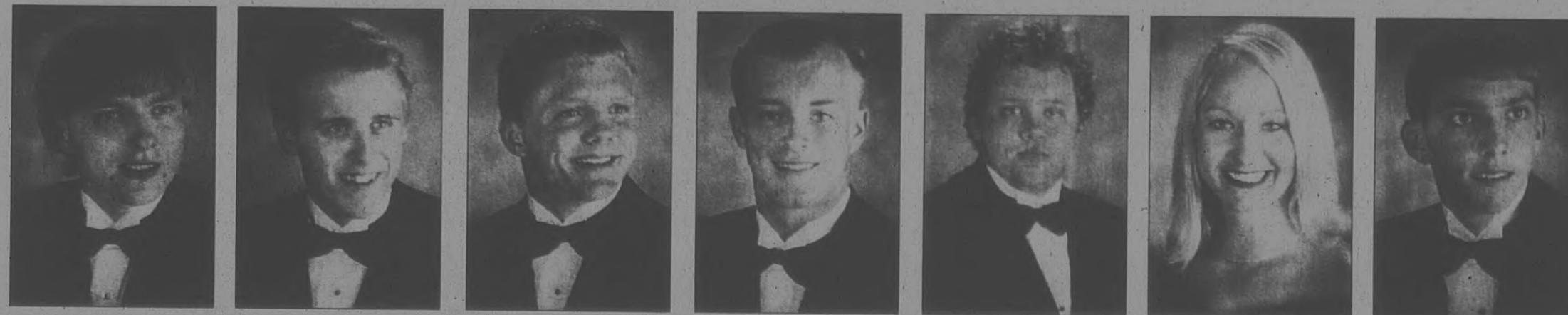
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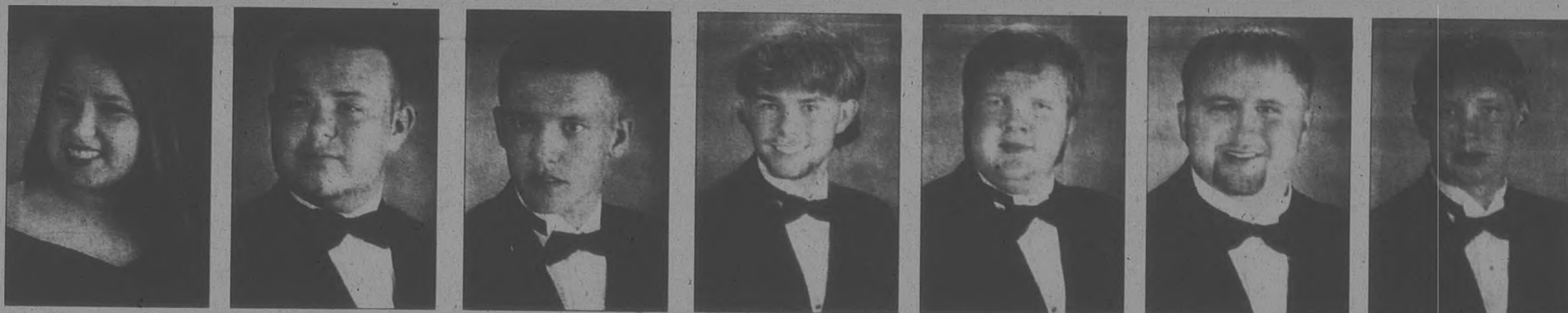
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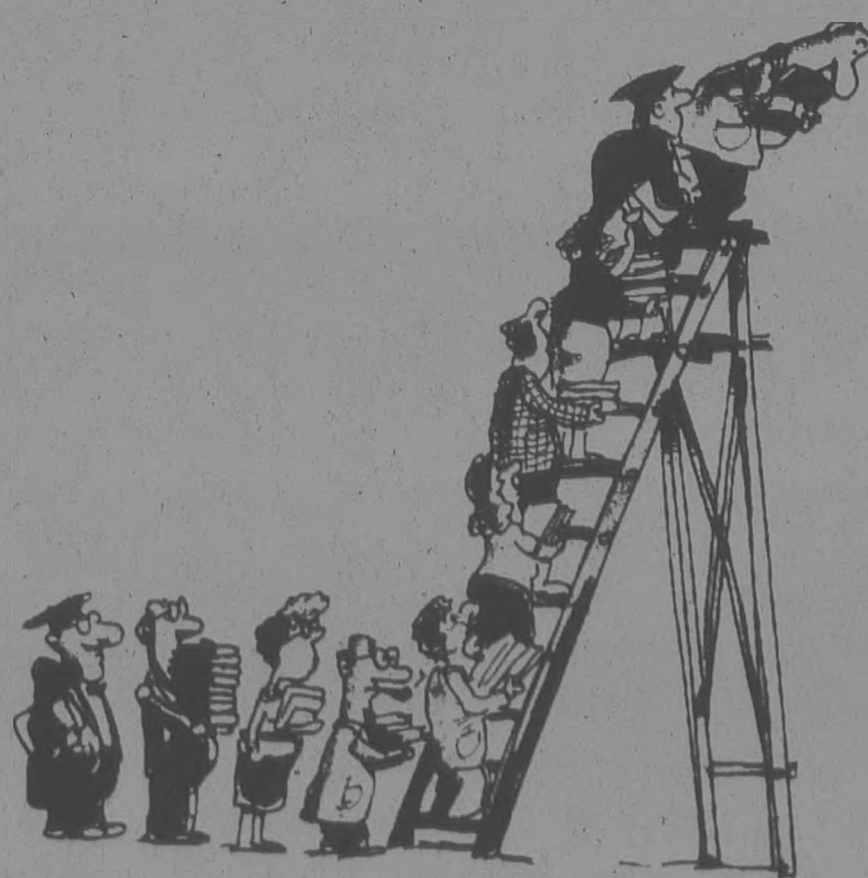


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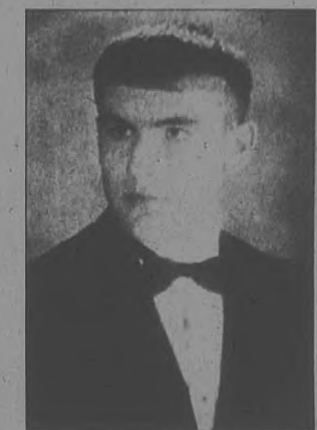


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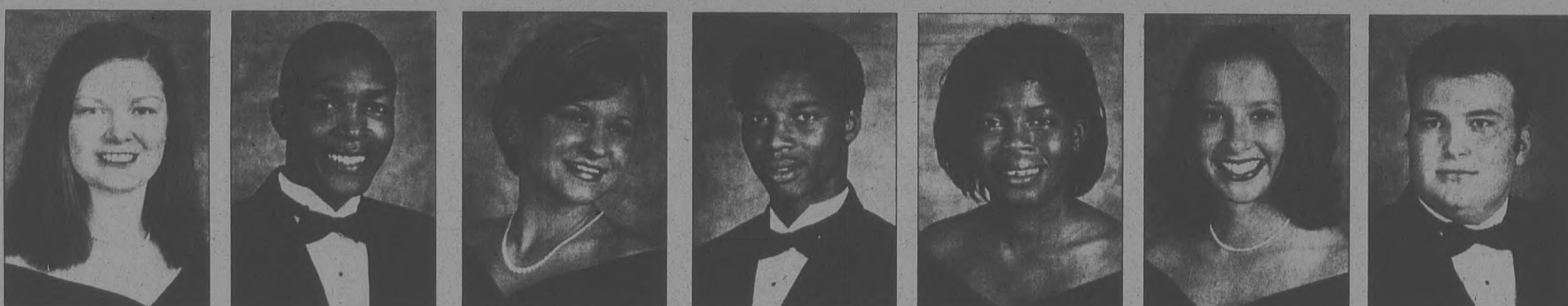
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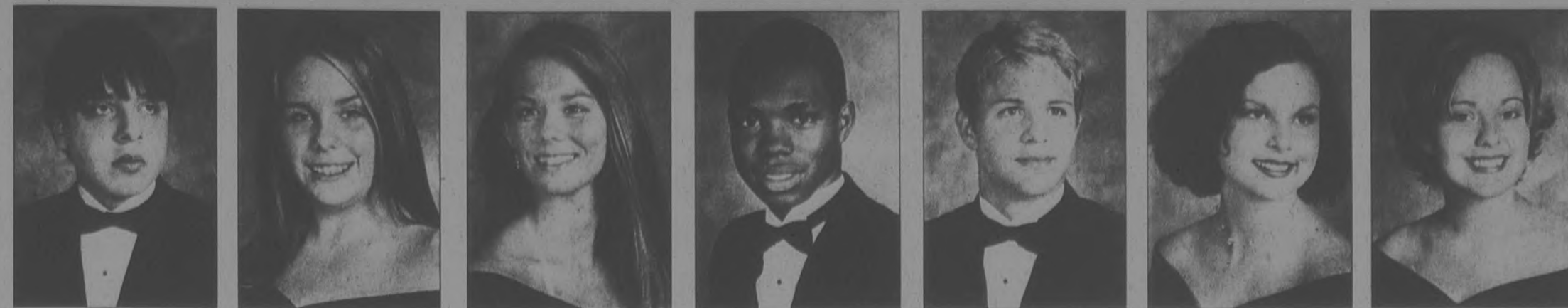
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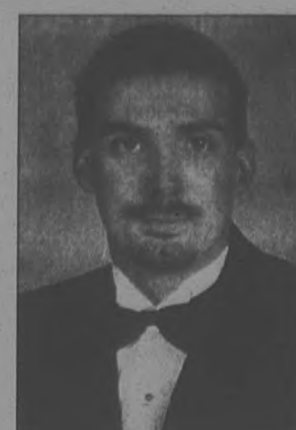
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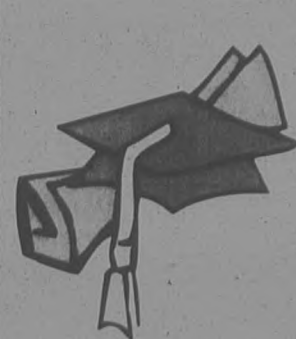
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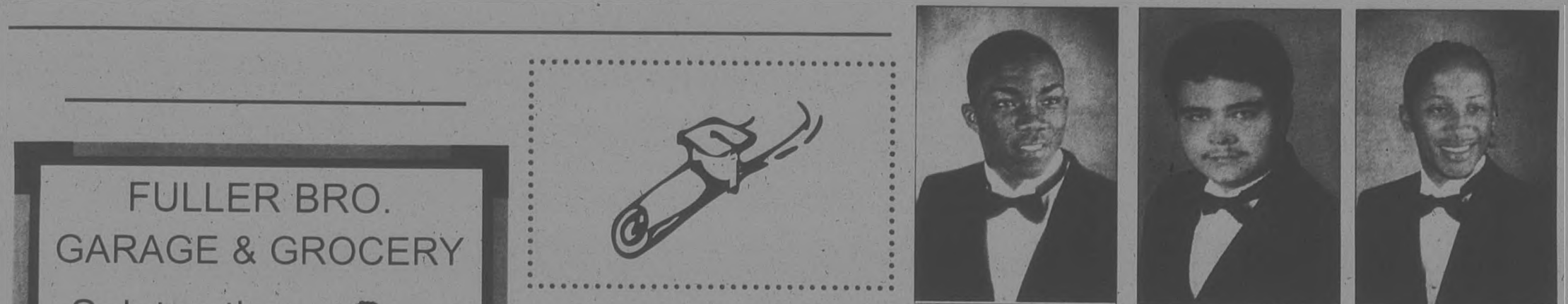
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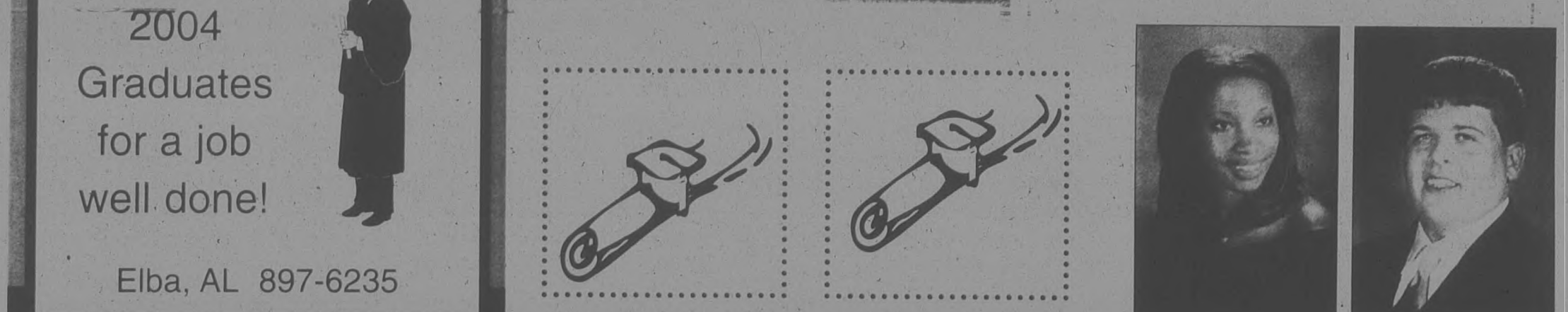
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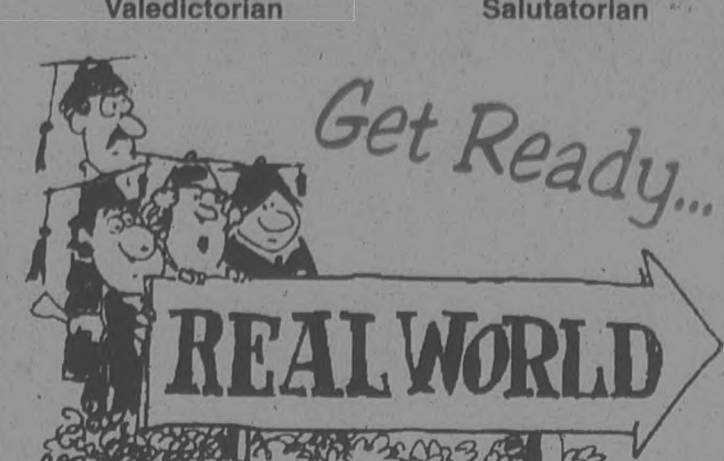
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Elba City Schools removed from unitary status lawsuit

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City School system was officially removed last Thursday from the long running class action desegregation lawsuit originally filed in the 1970's. The suit lay dormant and forgotten for years until a new attorney took over the case in 1999. Since that time Elba officials have been working to be sure they complied with all laws and regulations relating to this case before filing for relief in federal court.

Thursday, May 20th, school officials presented in Judge

Harold Albritton's Dothan courtroom and presented their case. The hearing ended with both the judge and the plaintiff's lawyers praising the school officials for their efforts in resolving the case.

Judge Albritton wrote, "This court concludes that the court control is properly returned to the Elba Board of Education and the school is in compliance in all areas."

Elba Superintendent Danny Weeks said they cited several areas in which the local system had excelled. This included fair hiring within school assignments, discipline, extra curricular activities, facilities and quality of education and good faith effort.

On Tuesday afternoon Weeks gave a couple of examples of the above areas in which the system excelled. In the "fair hiring," he detailed extensive recruiting at minority colleges and internships offered to minorities. The "school assignments" category included several scholarships and other financial assistance offered to minorities. The average receiving this help has been above 60 percent in recent years and rose to 85 percent during the current year.

Weeks praised the work of the school staff (both faculty and support staff) for what they did in preparing for this hearing. He also said this would not have been possible without the support of the school board which the Elba school system has.

The superintendent said (with much pride in his voice) that the black community has been supportive of this school system, and it shows in the performance of their children. He explained that test scores show these same students are performing at twice the achievement rate of the state average.

In regards to senior center issues

Differing opinions evident among commissioners

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Commission discussed several issues regarding the InoMount Pleasant Senior Citizen Center Monday morning, May 24, during the regular monthly meeting of the commission and found differing opinions on each matter.

The meeting began with Frederick Hamilton, a representative of the Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission, addressing commission members regarding the closing of the building contracts and regulations for the centers.

Hamilton said the centers were funded by a limited clientele grant and can only be used for that purpose. With a limited grant, he said the county did not have to provide low to moderate income percentages.

For the buildings to be considered community centers, Hamilton said low to moderate income percentages have to be

documented. "There could be some ramifications if the state finds out you're using it (senior center) for something other than a senior center," he said. "You could have to pay the grant back if the state finds out you're using it as a community center rather than a senior center."

There are four centers in the county that currently fall under the limited clientele category.

Commissioner Linda Westbrook pointed out that the Zion Chapel Senior Citizen Center does not fall under this restriction because the county owns that building; however, she said it is now building a constructed in the future, it too will be limited for usage.

"All these federal regulations kick in when you use grant funds," Hamilton said.

A major concern on the minds of commissioners was the usage of the Mount Pleasant Senior Citizen Center as a polling place for the upcoming election. County attorney Joe Cassidy

informed commissioners during the meeting that he had just spoken to John Harrison, director of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, and Harrison indicated there should be no problem using that particular center as a polling place.

Following this revelation, commission chairman Robert Stephens offered a motion with a second from commissioner Bernest Brooks to have Cassidy write a letter to Harrison asking him to explain in writing what kind of activities can and can not be held at the four centers that have been built with grant funds. In particular, Stephens mentioned usage for voting, birthday parties, family reunions and general public meetings.

This motion passed with a split vote of 4-3. Those voting in favor included commissioners Stephens, Brooks, Westbrook and Jessie Lewis. Casting the opposing votes were commissioners Jim Thompson, Doug

Dalrymple and Tom Grimsley.

Next, Stephens made a motion with a second from Brooks to settle for liquidated damages from Paul Anderson Construction Company in the amount of \$6,750 for the InoMount Pleasant Senior Centers, make the final payment on the projects and sign all completion paperwork.

The liquidated damages amount equated to 27 days at \$250 per day.

"I am not willing to just give them 27 days," Dalrymple said. "I think they (Paul Anderson Construction) owe us for the days we could not move into the building."

Brooks said he does not believe the contractor should be held accountable for all of the holdup on the project. Instead,

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During Elba City Council meeting

Police chief warns citizens about illegal use of 4-wheelers

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Monday evening the Elba City Council heard Police Chief R. W. Whitworth warn of the dangerous and growing illegal use of 4-wheelers on streets and shoulders of public roads. He added that police officers are reporting an increasing presence of the 4-wheelers on the levee, which is also against the law.

Whitworth told of witnessing many accidents involving 4-wheelers during his time with the Alabama State Troopers, accidents which were preventable, simply by obeying the law. He told council members that police will be enforcing the laws on these units, and there is no circumstances in which they are legal on public roads in Alabama.

The council made two board appointments. Chris Sutley was named to a two year term on the Downtown Development Authority. Valerie McGuire was appointed to a second five-year term on the Elba City School Board.

Mayor James Grimes reviewed the financial statement with council members, pointing out the continuing growth in city sales taxes, as well as tobacco taxes. He noted that expenses are up in some areas and to

expect more budget busting expenses if gasoline prices continue their record highs.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham explained that the street repair work from the levee rehab contract is not complete, but an ongoing project. He asked council members to be patient while the city and contractors were working through this.

Grantham also asked for patience with the trash pick-up. He explained there is a heavy work load, city crews also doing some limb cutting and the pick-up equipment is old and breaking down more and more often.

Updating on problems reported at their last council meeting, the city clerk noted that the water problem on Jackson Street would be fixed by the levee folks and the one on Old Samson Road is a city problem and would be addressed soon.

Grimes reported that both the City and Utility Board received certificates from low claims

filed with the Workman's Comp. insurance company. He added that they stress safety in the workplace and hope to experience even lower injuries in the future. This means fewer people getting hurt and also can lower insurance rates.

The mayor also informed council members that Charter Communications has announced a rate increase for basic services effective July 1st. The basic charge will increase from \$10.64 to \$13.64, a \$3.00 per month increase. Charter is also offering a CableCARD option, allowing customers to receive scrambled cable and premium channels. Cost for this card will be \$1.50 per month, but a whopping \$85 if the card is not returned after discontinuing the service.

The city council has set an informal workshop for Monday, June 7th at 5:30 p.m. While no official action can be taken at these workshops, they are still open to the public.

County receives \$75,000 Homeland Security grant

Coffee County homeland security officials met Monday, May 24, with Alabama Homeland Security Director Jim Walker to lay out their spending plan for grant dollars received through the fiscal year 2004 State Homeland Security Grant Program.

Coffee County is set to receive over \$75,000 to spend on homeland security planning, training, exercises and equipment.

On Monday, Coffee County EMS director John Tallas told county commissioners that the money will be distributed with approximately \$20,000 going to local police, \$51,000 going to fire services and the remainder being used by county emergency management services.

Under a plan approved by Governor Bob Riley, every Alabama county will receive funding to improve its ability to prevent, protect and respond to terrorism-related activities.

"Governor Riley has made the security of Alabamians a cornerstone of his administration," said Walker. "And, the infusion of these funds into our counties will have a positive impact on their ability to protect and serve the citizens of Alabama."

The Coffee County proposal, agreed to by county, municipality and public safety officials throughout the county, requests the purchase of chemical detection equipment.

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County's jail-break alert system set to be tested June 2nd

The Coffee County Sheriff's Department and Emergency Management Agency will be conducting a test of the jail-break alert system from the New Brockton emergency warning system site. This test will be conducted on Wednesday, June 2, 2004 at 12:00 noon.

This will be the first test of the jail-break alert system since its installation. The test is necessary to insure proper operation of the system should a jail-break occur and to familiarize the surrounding community with the alert tone should a jail-break occur.

Along with posting this announcement in the New Brockton area, the news media is asked to help publicize this announcement prior to June 2nd in sufficient time for the public to be aware of this test.

Area Happenings

THE CITY OF ELBA OFFICES will be closed Monday, May 31, in observance of Memorial Day. There will be standby crews for any emergency with street, sewer, water or electric. To report an emergency, call the Elba Police Department at 897-2555. The garbage pickup schedule will run as usual.

THE TOWN OF NEW BROCKTON OFFICES will be closed Monday, May 31, in observance of Memorial Day. Any emergencies should be directed to the New Brockton Police Department.

THE ELBA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS will hold a public hearing Thursday, June 3, at 10 a.m., to discuss the Internet policy for the library.